



Atty. Docket No. CH920000036US1
(590.060)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Bergan et al.
Serial No. : 09/888,699 Examiner : M. Bell
Filed : June 24, 2001 Art Unit : 2121
For : NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING METHODS
AND SYSTEMS (as amended)

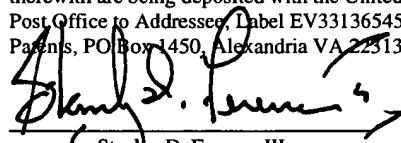
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME Technology Center 2100
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail Post Office to Addressee, Label EV331365450, addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450 on 12 May 2004.


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May 12, 2004
Date of Signature

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:
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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of two (2) months through and including May 12, 2004 to respond to the Office Action mailed on December 12, 2003. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

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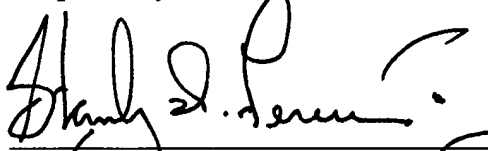
Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37

C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

		large entity	small entity
()	one month	\$110	\$55
(X)	two months	\$420	\$210
()	three months	\$950	\$475
()	four months	\$1,480	\$740
()	five months	\$2,010	\$1,005

Attached hereto is a completed Credit Card Payment Form. Please charge the credit card identified thereon in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the extension of time fee for two (2) months. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510** as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,



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